TAKING A FAMILY BACK TO THE SOIL

Being the Experiences of a Government Clerk Who Sets Out to Lower the High Cost of

naway when Ned's arm was broken that I was able to drive to the station Friday morning for the first time in more than a week. It went pretty good, let me tell you, after walking four miles a day in the kind of weather we

have been having.

I haven't bought any kind of a vehicle yet to take the place of the smashed-up dayton wagon, but Mr. Brown lent me an old buggy he had In his barn. He said he hadn't used it

bis barn. He said he hadn't used the services of several years, and had no expection of using it, and urged that I like it. I was a little nervous about the services of the state of the services of the serv



ir calize that the cost of the cultivator and the expense of keeping a horse would not be justified for the garden alone. Where I expect to make it profitable is with the corn and potatoes. Without the new implement I would have had to hire my corn and potatoes cultivated, and as we have the horse anyway, every dollar I save will be almost all clear profit.

Chance for Better Crops.

We are not prepared, even now, to answer the question as to whether it has paid or will pay in dollars and cents to live in the country, though we have by no means lost faith that we can make it pay. But we are prepared or answer the query whether we prefer life in the country to life in town, and to answer it with an emphatic yes.

Jame says "yes," and Jim says "yes,"

Chance for Better Crops.

With all that crimson clover to plow in this spring, my soil ought to be in condition to raise a good deal better crops than I raised last year. Besides, I have a lot of manure—from the stable, chickenhouse and pig penand shall buy commercial fertilizer only for potatoes. Not only had this ought to put plenty of fertility into the soil, but it will save me a very considerable item of expense. My fertilizer bill alone last year was almost enough to put in my new icehouse, but I am consoling myself with the thought that the icehouse will come in mighty handy the icehouse i

or a root cellar. It will hold enough carrots and mangles and turnips to feed the cow and chickens all through next winter. When it comes to dollars and cents, the roots will be more profitable than the ice would have been, but we had our hearts set on having our other commedition.

own ice crop.

As a matter of fact, except for making ice cream, we have no very great need of ice. The cellar under the house is deep and cool and there is a trapdor in the cover to the well through which milk and butter can be let down to be a super Last spring when we first the production of this metal has alis deep and cool and there is a trapdoor in the cover to the well through
which milk and butter can be let down
on a rope. Last spring, when we first
got the cow, I bought several deep,
narrow pails with tight-fitting lids,
and Jane kept her milk in the well all
summer. Lovitt, at the station, has an
icehouse, and as we are there every
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A steady and uniform supply of gold
is of the utmost importance, and yet
the production of this metal has always been more irregular than that o'
most of the industrial metals. Whenever a new gold field is discovered,
there is at first an era of overproduction while the easily accessible surface deposits are being worked. Then
comes a short reaction followed by a
gain in production as slower and more
expensive underground mining gains



Will come in mighty handy for a root

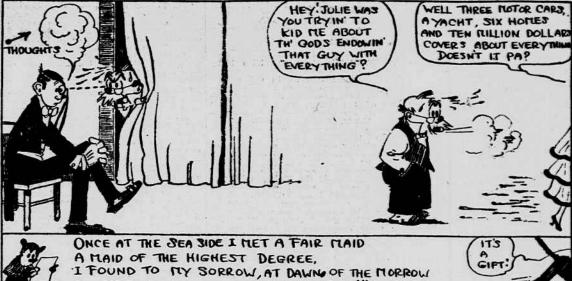
day with the horse I reckon we can haul ice home when ice cream is to be on the bill of fare.

We started the incubator off Monday, with 98 eggs aboard. It has a capacity of 140 eggs, but our flock of "race sui-

KEEPING UP WITH THE JONESES-Mr. Sweldome Was Well Endowed.



A MAID OF THE HIGHEST DEGREE, ALL BREAKERS ARE NOT IN THE SEA!





* * * * When Frederick Huntington Gillett, representative in Congress from the second district of Massachusetts, arises to address the House on some topic it is quite sure to be an anti-democratic epic couched in words of purest English. The spirit of Amherst and Harvard hovers about Gillett like an unseen halo, and his crisp Springfield accent brings with it the suggestion that what he is about to say is thoroughly approved in advance by the s thoroughly approved in advance by the Cabots, the Lowells and the sacred cod.



like efficacy.

and-doughnut accent was William Leavitt Stoddard of the Boston Evening Tran-script's Washington bureau. It is said of script's Washington bureau. It is said of the Boston Transcript that it prints book reviews on the first page, Harvard news on the second and that if you die and aren't from a nice old Plymouth Rock family you can't even get a funeral notice by the city editor. So Stoddard was listening to Gillett with that set of tradi-tions to uphold, when a terrible thing occurred.

compare the estimates of expenses with the estimated revenue."

To always compare! William Leavitt Stoddard knew a Transcript reporter who was fired from the Boston Press Club for a split infinitive like that, and there are rumors of a Harvard man having had his degree recalled for a similar breach. And yet there was the sole congressional representative of the descendants of the Mayflower joited into a similar verbal atrocity by the question of a Buckeye college president.

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Stoddard looked sadly away, and as ne left he turned to the author of these lines and said:
"It's a good thing he didn't make
that break before election. He never
would have had the support of the
Transcript and would probably have
been defeated."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Blessed is he who keeps his troubles to himself.

True wisdom never thinks itself wiser than it really is.

If a man is miserable it is usually Love makes the world go round, but revenge tries to square it.

after the world has forgotten their

as much as the wife of a man who de-clines to give up.

Antofagasta is a town in northern Chile, and it is quite as bad as its By rights, it is no place for a naked mountain overshadows it, and blistered, dust-ridden transfer station

The few sickly-looking green things to be seen are kept alive by constant nursing with water that comes through

a pipe 180 miles long.

The hack drivers carry feather dusters in the whip sockets of their cabs, because they need them more than whips; and the bartenders have to cater to the tiercest thirst on earth.

When the housewife in Antofagasta would go to market for fruit and vegetables she listens for the whistle of a visiting steamer, hires a rowboat and is pulled hurriedly out into the harbor. When the whistle blows she can't take much time to powder her nose or fuss is pulled hurriedly cut into the harbor. When the whistle blows she can't take much time to powder her nose or fuss with her back hair, else all the other housewives in Antofagasta will have hired all the rowboats and gobbled up all the fruit and vegetables.

On one side of the lead-covered buildings along the wharf the word "Nitrate" is spelled in great black letters. This explains the appearance of the white people and the town itself. Were it not for nitrate and the trade of the inland mining camps the lizards would soon be left in possession of the shifting sands of Antofagasta. The white people have taken much treasure from the desert, but they have had to pay dearly for it. High up on the mountain are the gleaming shalts of an overgrown graveyard. The thickly studded headstones flash in the sun as if to signal the desert's challenge and its warning.

It is no easy matter to live where you have to go to market on a tramp steamer and have your drinking water come throu 'n a pipe 180 miles long.

Where Trading Is Second Nature.

D. W. Cram, in charge of the school Some one caught Gillett off his guard by asking him an entirely unexpected question:
"Do you think the President ought to control the estimates?"
I think it was Dr. Fess, the only college president in Comgress, who joited the Massachusetts man's train of thought, and Gillett's reply was:
"There should be some one to always compare the estimates of expenses with the estimated revenue."

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mouth organs and various other articles for things the Siberians had to
trade. After it was all over they came
back to the schoolhouse and during
the evening hour entertained us with a
recital of their experiences, laughing
and joking at the deals they had made,
and I could see that they had driven
some shrewd bargains with the Siberians." caps, coats, suspenders, shirts, under-

Plain Inscriptions.

From the London Chronicle. Some people would be disposed to find fault with the brief inscription to be found on the Victory, "Here Nelson fell." An eminent Danish philologist, Dr. Otto Jespersen, points out that the large classical element in English has Nature balances things by marrying a fussy woman to a quarrelsome man.

People boast of their ancestors only after the world has forgotten their records.

Money talks, but it doesn't save half as much as the wife of a man who declines to give up.

I large classical element in English has produced in us an unnatural preference for strange and exotic words, and that by its very structure it offers a better soil than any other for the growth of stilted language. As an illustration he recalls the fact that when canning wrote the inscription engraved on Pitt's monument in the Guildhall an alderman protested against the phrase the depoor, and wished to substitute "He expired in indigent circumstances."



scene of a happy gathering of anglers

-By Pop.

scene of a happy gathering of anglers and their wives.

The gathering was in the nature of a surprise. John J. Kiley, acting as spokesman for the club, said many pleasant things about the club's secretary and told of the high esteem in which he was held.

"It is because of that high esteem," he said, "that I have been delegated to present this handsome gold locket, emblem of the Beneficial and Protective Order of Elks, of which you are an esteemed member."

Secretary Costello accepted the locket as a pleasant surprise, and jokingly told of the big fish he expected to catch while wearing it.

Members of the club who participated in the evening's pleasure were Thomas Breslin, John T. Buckley, Romi Colbert, Timothy J. Casey, Jeremiah Costello, Timothy F. Costello, Martin Creelman, George Dietz, George Joachim, James J. Kelly, John J. Kiley, Philip McCaull, Sylvester Murphy, W. E. Spillane and Angelo Rochelli.

John Souder broke this season's record Thursday afternoon fishing in Little river. Werd Thursday afternoon fishing in Little river. Wend Thursday afternoon fishing it left river. Wend Thursday afternoon fishing it left river. Wend Thursday afternoon fishing it left river. Wend Thursday afternoon fishing the Thursday afternoon fishing it left river. Wend Thursday afternoon fishing the the river. Wend that the bright sunshine should bring something other than Mississippi cathat the bright sunshine should bring something other than Mississippi cathat the bright sunshine should bring something other than M

E. Spillane and Angelo Rochelli.

Grand Trunk E. W. McIntire and Grand Scribe Theodore Delavigne have perfected arrangements for a planked shad dinner to be given by the Order of the White Elephant Monday in celebration of Washington's birthday.

The affair will be held at the Happy Home Fishing Club on the Virginia bank of the river near Mount Vernon, and, it is stated, the promoters of the outing promise to have the fire started with wood from the tract of land where the strength of the wind with wood from the tract of land where the strength and early in the morning. "Early enough for a litter is the strength of the club member o

the Laman, F. S. Ross, Arthur McNeley, in the Control of the Spaguage, crade chickens, sheep, caives, it is the Control of the Spaguage of the

Scotch Spelling.

From the London Chronicle. Kant, the Scoto-German, began his name with an alien "k" on the same principle that caused Murdoch, the from Cologne itself.

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Scottish coal gas discoverer, to bring in England as in other places (including Cologne) there are imitations of eau de cologne manufactured which execute than to Murdoch's blographers you find them explaining that Murdoch with a "k" is the English form of Murdoch with an "h." But the great gas man himself explained that he made change in explained that he made change in spelling "to oblige the English among whom he lived." He found that they had a difficulty in giving "the full gut-tural pronunciation" to the last sylla-ble—and so he made things easy.

Along That Main Line.

rom the Philadelphia Ledger. Employment Agentess-You want a

Little Stories

Bedtime

Happy Jack Dares Tommy

Somehow Happy Jack's day had been spoiled. He knew that he had no business to allow it to be spoiled; but it was, just the same. You see, he had been all puffed up with pride because he thought himself a very bold fellow That very morning he had for the first time gone inside Farmer Brown's house. To be sure, he had gone no farther than the inside sill of an open window, but this was far enough to say that he had really been inside, and he had felt quite puffed up about it. But when he told Tommy Tit the Chickadee about it



YOU SEE, THERE WASN'T A SINGLE NUT ON THE WINDOW SILL, AND THE WINDOW WAS CLOSED.

eenth-century inventor? John Maria
Farina was not a German, by the way,
but an Italian. The secret recipe is
supposed to have been handed down to
the descendants of his family and connections, who manufacture it under his
name to this day. Most of them are in
Cologne, but not all. To get the original and veritable cau de cologne you
need not deal with the enemy alien.
Some of Farina's descendants are in
Italy manufacturing an eau de cologne
just as original and veritable as that

eau de cologne manufactured which experts say are as good as or better than the real thing. The famous perfume is a blend of the essential oils of neroli (from a sort of orange), citron, bergamot (two other relations of the orange family), rosemary and the orange itself. The citric scent (that of oranges, lemons and limes) is obviously the predominant odor

Birds of Different Feathers.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer, "If they persist in teaching the

INDOOR SPORTS.

THEY'LL START HUH - THEY GOTTA LOT TO 00 SEZ 1-THE NEIGHBORS OH AGNES -HUH - MY OAN TEE -HEE - HEE -NAMINUTE MY IDEA OF COULD BEAT NOTHING TO DO WHATT TRUMP? YOU'RE AS SILLY THE WHOLE IS TO PLAY POKER AS THAT CLERK IN OH I MEAN WHOSE THE HIND WILLIAM IN THE PARTY OF THE PARTY O LOT OF 'EM WITH A BENY OF SKIRTS -THE SODA STORE PLAY IS IT -AT CARAS-OH DEAR AINT I ASKED FOR A HAM SHOOT MY DAN YHR S'OHW I THE STUPID SANDWICH AND IN THE HE ASKED ME WHAT FLAGOR CENTER? LITTLE THING-WHAT FLA HEE -HEE HEE -OH DEAR! 10 to WHEN YOU INDOOR SPORTS LETTING THE LADIES SIT IN ON A QUARTER LIMIT POKER GAME

You can almost scan Gillett's prose, it is so pure and poetic, but what else would you expect from a man whose district

expensive underground mining gains headway. Unless new gold fields are discovered before the deeper veins are exhausted there will be a shortage. The last two decades have seen a number of great gold fields opened up number of great gold fields opened up and the annual production of gold has steadily increased, until it has outstripped the world's industrial growth. The result has been the cheapening of gold, and the relative increase in the price of all other commodities.

The European war has an interesting relation to the gold question, for the immense issues of flat or paper money by the belligerent nations will probably at some time require an increased metallic coinage. This increased demand for gold for coinage purposes would naturally tend to reduce the prices of all other commodities.

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prices of all other commodities. Tissue Lives Outside the Body.

That connective tissue may not only be kept alive, but may be propagated outside of living bodies is now a well established scientific fact.

The most successful experiment along this line has been performed by Dr. Carrel of the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research. He has isolated a fragment of connective tissue from the heart of a chick still in the embryonic condition in the every and this care. neart of a chick still in the embryonic condition in the egg, and this is now in the third year of its life in vitro It is now proliferating—that is, put-ting forth new tissue cells—more rap-idly than ever before, and has become

with 98 eggs aboard. It has a capacity of 140 eggs, but our flock of "race suicide" hens refused to lay enough eggs to fill it. Just to show how contrary a bunch of hens can be, no sooner had we started the incubator than they took a brace in laying and this week they have almost doubled their former output. We are glad to get the eggs, of course, but we would have liked to had them in time to fill the incubator.

Early Hatched Chicks Wanted.

We are anxious to get just as many early hatched chicks this year as possible, and we are going to crowd the pullets for all they are worth. We want some eggs next fall when eggs are bringing top prices. It is coming